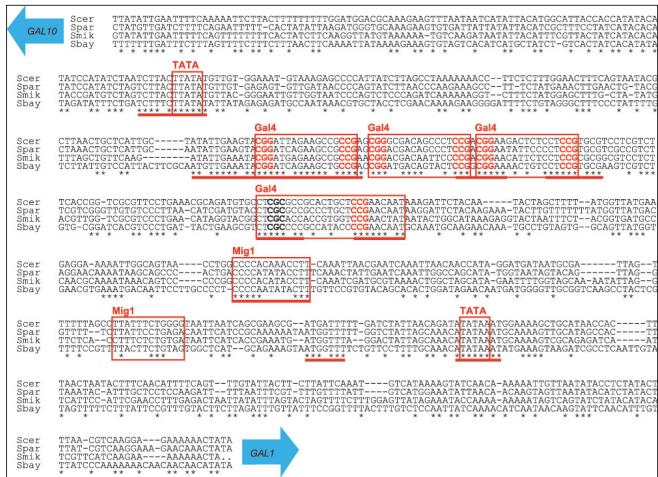


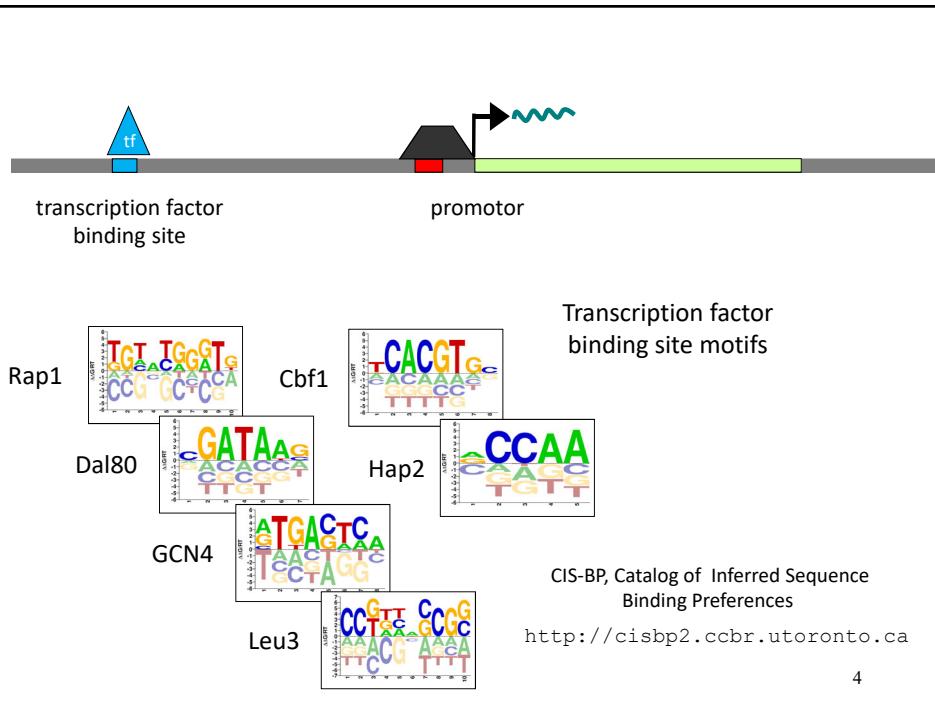
Conserved patterns in biological sequences

Example: Transcription factor binding sites



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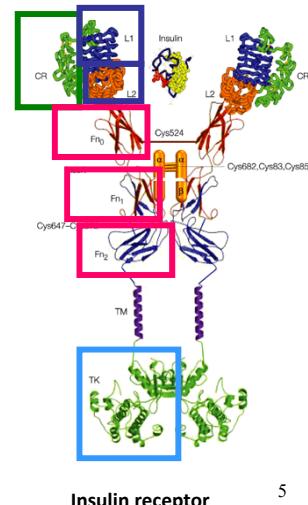
Kellis et al, *Nature*, 03



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Example: Protein domains

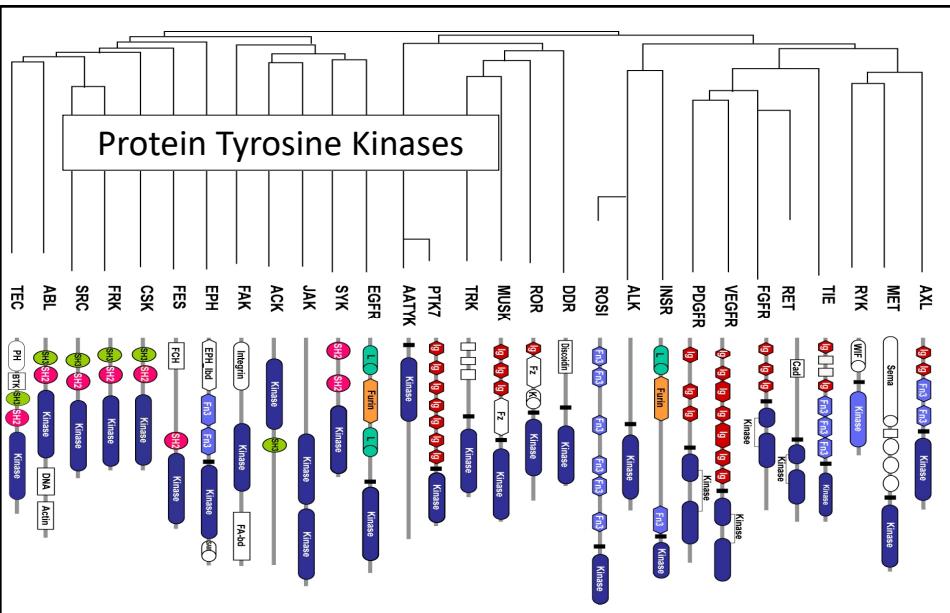
- Fold independently
- Carry out specific functions
- Found in diverse contexts
- Conserved in evolution



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Insulin receptor

Protein Tyrosine Kinases



Adapted from Robinson et al., 2000

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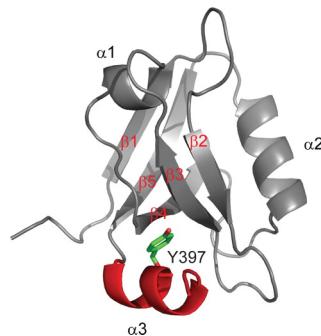
Domain architecture of PSD-95 and crystal structure of PDZ3.

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	RAT	HUMAN	MOUSE	XENTR	TETIG	DANRE	AILME	APLCA	BRAFL	SACKO	DROME	BRUMA
	IAQYKEEYSRFEAKIHDLRQLMNSSLGSGTASLR	IAQYKEEYSRFEAKIHDLRQLMNSSLGSGTASLR	IAQYKEEYSRFEAKIHDLRQLMNSSLGSGTASLR	IAQYKEEYSRFEAKIHDLRQLMNSSLGSGTASLR	IAQYRDEEYSRFEAKIHDLRQLMNSSMGSCTTILR	IHQYRDEEYSRFEAKIHDLRQLMNSSMGSCTTILR	VAQYREEEYSRFEAKIHDLRREQMMNNSISSCGSGSLR	VAQYREFEDNRFEAKIHDLRREQMMNTST--CSLRNT	VAQYREFEDNRFEAKIHDLRREQMMNNSVSPGSLKIS	VAQYKEEYNRFEAKIHDLRQMMNNSVSPGSLKIS	LAQYREEEYNRFEARIQELRQQALGAGGSILLRT	TLQYRQEYVGQFEAKIDQLRRDLI---SGGAVTEG

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Local Multiple Sequence Alignment Probabilistic Framework

- Discovery
 - Given multiple sequences, often unaligned, find a conserved pattern or *motif*
- Representation
 - Given an alignment of the motif (often ungapped), construct probabilistic model summarizing conserved features
- Recognition (using model)
 - Given a new sequence, does it contain the motif?
 - Find all sequences in a database that have the *motif*.

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Scoring a potential new instance of the pattern:

Given a sequence t , a window of length w starting at the next position after offset o is scored as follows:

$$Score[t, o] = \sum_{i=1}^w S[t[o+i], i]$$

Sequence t :



This score can be interpreted as a log likelihood ratio...

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A PSSM is a log odds scoring matrix

Note that the score of a window of length w at position o in t , is a log likelihood ratio of the form

$$S[t, o] = \log_2 \frac{P[\text{data} | H_a]}{P[\text{data} | H_0]}$$

where the *data* is the subsequence at o , H_a is the alternate hypothesis that t contains the pattern and H_0 is the null hypothesis (no pattern, background frequencies)

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A PSSM example from the ncbi Structure data base

The screenshot shows a protein sequence alignment matrix from the NCBI Structure database. The rows represent individual sequences, and the columns represent amino acid positions. The matrix uses a color-coded scale for hydrophytic values, ranging from -4 (dark red) to +6 (dark green). The sequences are labeled on the left, and the columns are labeled with amino acids A, G, I, L, V, M, E, W, P, C, S, T, Y, N, Q, H, K, R, D, E.

	A	G	I	L	V	M	E	W	P	C	S	T	Y	N	Q	H	K	R	D	E		
90 - E	-1	1	-4	-4	-3	-3	-4	-4	-2	-4	1	-1	-3	-1	1	-1	0	-1	0	+6		
91 - N	91 - S	-1	-2	-4	-4	-3	-3	-4	-4	-3	4	2	-1	-3	6	-1	-1	-1	-2	2	-1	
92 - P	92 - P	-1	-2	-4	-4	-3	-3	-4	-5	7	-3	2	-1	-4	-2	-2	-3	-2	-3	-2	-2	
93 - G	93 - G	0	5	-4	-4	-3	-3	-4	-4	-2	-3	3	-1	-3	-1	2	-2	-1	-2	-2	-1	
94 - M	94 - M	-2	-4	4	1	1	7	-1	-3	-4	-2	-3	-2	-2	-4	-2	-3	-3	-3	-4	-4	
95 - F	95 - F	-2	-3	-1	-1	-2	-1	7	0	-4	-3	1	-2	2	-3	-3	-2	-3	-3	-4	-3	
96 - A	96 - S	5	-1	-3	-3	-1	-2	-3	-4	-2	-1	3	0	-3	-2	-1	-2	-1	-2	-2	-2	
97 - W	97 - W	1	-3	-3	-3	-3	-2	0	11	-4	-3	-3	1	-4	-3	-3	-3	-3	-5	-3	-3	
98 - E	98 - E	-2	-3	-4	-3	-3	-4	-4	-2	-5	-1	-2	-3	-1	1	-1	0	-1	1	+6		
99 - I	99 - I	-2	-5	5	2	3	0	-1	-3	-4	-2	-3	-2	-2	-4	-4	-4	-4	-4	-4		
100 - R	100 - R	-2	-3	-3	-4	-3	-2	-4	-4	-3	-5	-2	-2	-3	-1	0	-1	1	7	-3	-1	
P	C	Master	A	G	I	L	V	M	E	W	P	C	S	T	Y	N	Q	H	K	R	D	E
101 - D	101 - E	-2	-2	-4	-5	-4	-4	-5	-5	-2	-5	-1	-2	-4	0	0	-2	-1	-2	+6	3	3
102 - R	102 - K	-2	-3	-4	-3	-4	-2	-3	7	-3	-4	-2	-2	-1	-2	2	-1	2	6	-3	-1	
103 - I	103 - L	-2	-5	1	5	0	1	-3	2	-2	-3	-2	-2	-2	-4	-3	-4	-3	-3	-4	-4	
104 - L	104 - I	-2	-4	3	4	0	1	-1	-3	-4	-2	-3	-2	-2	-4	1	-3	-3	-3	-4	-3	
105 - Q	105 - R	1	-2	-4	-3	-3	-2	-4	-3	-2	-3	1	-1	-2	-1	4	4	0	4	-2	0	
106 - E	106 - E	-2	-3	-4	-4	-4	-3	-4	-4	-2	-4	-1	-2	-3	0	3	-1	2	-1	4	4	
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108 - V	108 - V	-1	-4	4	0	5	0	-2	-4	-4	-2	-3	-1	-2	-4	-3	-4	-3	-4	-4	-4	
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113 - H	113 - T	-2	-2	-3	-4	-3	-3	-4	-4	-3	-3	2	3	-3	6	-1	-1	-1	-2	0	-1	

